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For: PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF A MICROSPHEROIDAL
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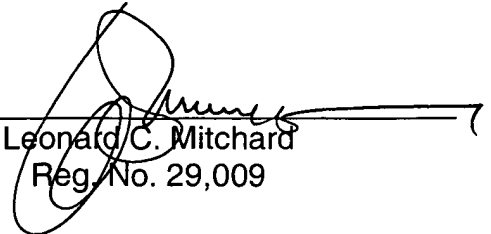
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Respectfully submitted,

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 C.F.R. 1.5) 10/502,299
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TITLE OF INVENTION

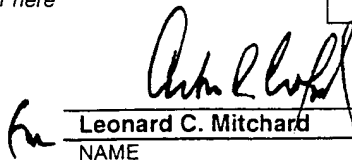

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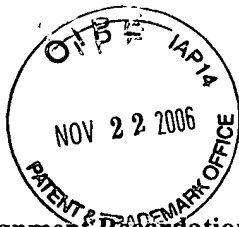
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 - b. ☐ has been communicated by the International Bureau.
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 - a. ☐ of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) is attached hereto (pages specification, claims & abstract (claims), sheets drawings, page Certificate of Translation).
 - b. ☐ of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. § 371(c)(5)).
7. ☐ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
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 - b. ☐ have been communicated by the International Bureau.
 - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has **NOT** expired.
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8. ☐ An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
9. a. ☐ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
 - b. ☐ Declaration was submitted to the International Bureau during International Phase (see copies of Declaration (page Form PCT/RO/101 and Form PCT/IB/371 and first page of printed publication acknowledging receipt thereof attached).
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11. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98.
12. ☒ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
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20. ☐ Other items or information.

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WHEREAS, WE, Michael James BAKER, Peter JOHNSTON and Dennis MURPHY, of British, Austrian and British nationality respectively, of ~~14 Derwent Close, Feltham, Middlesex, TW14 9QL, UK~~, 16 Gresley Lodge, Old North Road, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 5AG, UK, and 4 Stone Cottages, Newmarket Road, Moulton, Newmarket, Suffolk, CB8 8QN, UK, respectively, have invented certain new and useful improvements in "PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF A MICROSPHEROIDAL CATALYST" for which WE have executed application for Letters Patent of the United States on the 1st, 13th, & 21st days of July 2004.

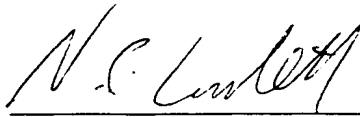
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NOW THEREFORE, for valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which is hereby acknowledged, WE, the said, Michael James BAKER, Peter JOHNSTON and Dennis MURPHY have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over, unto BP CHEMICALS LIMITED and JOHNSON MATTHEY PLC, their successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, titles and interest in, to and under the said application, and all divisions, renewals and continuations thereof, and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be granted thereon, and all reissues and extensions thereof; and we hereby authorise and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States to issue all Letters Patent for said improvements in accordance with the terms of this instrument.

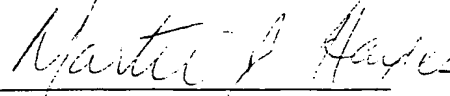
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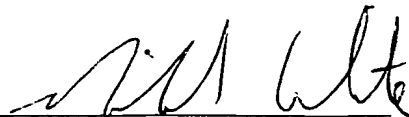
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